TROPICAL ATMOSPHERE-OCEAN (TAO) PROGRAM FINAL CRUISE REPORT RB-14-05

Area: Equatorial Pacific: 8°N 170°W to 8°S 170°W and 8°S 165°E to 8°N 165°E

Itinerary:

RB-14-05 DEP October 6, 2014, Honolulu, HI

ARR November 1, 2014, Kwajalein Atoll, RMI

CRUISE DESCRIPTION

The Tropical Atmosphere Ocean (TAO) array consists of 70 buoys utilizing a taut line mooring configuration used to mount data collection sensors for climate research purposes. Fifteen buoys are serviced by JAMSTEC and the remaining 55 buoys from 95°W longitude to 165°E longitude are serviced by National Data Buoy Center (NDBC). Repair and maintenance of the buoys is performed by NDBC contracted personnel on an annual basis utilizing the NOAA Ships and other contract vessels. The buoys' deployment lifecycles are up to 18 months to ensure at least one year of data collection can be completed.

The NOAA Ship *Ronald H. Brown* experienced an A-Frame hydraulic failure while recovering 5S 170W. Because the A-frame could not be moved, 8S 170W was not recovered, but we were able to deploy a new buoy there. The ship then departed 8S 170W and went to an American Samoan shipyard for repairs, losing 2 days of project time.

The Marine Scientific Research (MSR) permit from the Solomon Islands was not granted in time for this cruise. Therefore the 8S 165E buoy could not be recovered or deployed.

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TAO Cruise Objective and Plan:

The objective of this cruise was the maintenance of the TAO Array along the 170°W, and 165°E meridians.

The scientific complement for the cruise embarked at Honolulu, HI on October 5, 2014. The ship departed on October 6, 2014 and conducted operations as listed in Section 2.1. The ship arrived at Kwajalein Atoll, RMI on November 1, 2014.

1.0 **PERSONNEL**

1.1 CRUISE LEAD AND PARTICIPATING SCIENTISTS:

Cruise Lead: Brian Lake.

Participating Scientists:

Name	Gender	Nationality	Affiliation
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James Coleman	M	US	NOAA/NDBC

2.0 **OPERATIONS**

2.1 TAO Data Recovery Summary

Mooring Operations conducted are shown in the tables below. The following provides details on the data recovery efforts for the buoys serviced. All noted times in this summary report are Coordinated Universal Time (UTC):

Cruise Summary

Buoy Site: 8N 170W REFRESH		
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: DM038	
Deployed Location: 08-00.26N 170-02.72W	Deployed Date: 5/13/12	
Recovered Location: 08-00.26N 170-02.72W Recovered Date: 10/10/14		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: Anemometer, ATRH, payload		
Sensors Damaged/Fouled: SSC, 25m T sensors fouled		
Fishing/Vandalism: Missing tower, longline gear at 300m TP		

Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: No sensors were downloaded as per new procedures			
General Comments: Tower ripped from buoy			
Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service
			Observations
All (Tube)	5/13/12	No transmissions	Tower missing

Buoy Site: 8N 170W REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 5525 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM095	
Deployed Location: 08-01.48N 170-03.16W	Deployed Date: 10/11/2014	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 5N 170W ATLAS		
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: PM990	
Deployed Location: 05-00.745N 170-00.97W	Deployed Date: 10/22/11	
Recovered Location: 05-00.745N 170-00.97W Recovered Date: 10/11/14		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: T100, T125, T150, T200, TP500 lost at sea		
Sensors Damaged/Fouled: T25 fouled		
Fishing/Vandalism: longline on Nilspin from 200 m to bottom of Nilspin.		
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: Only T250 wsa downloaded successfully, the others were either		
lost or had no communications.		

General Comments:

Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service
			Observations
All (Tube)	12/21/13	No transmissions	No comms
SSC	1/3/13	Data too low	No comms
SST	1/11/13	Data missing	No comms
T25	7/21/13	Data missing	No comms
T50	11/18/13	Data missing	No comms
T75	12/18/13	Data missing	No comms
T100	12/18/13	Data missing	Lost at sea
T125	12/18/13	Data missing	Lost at sea
T150	8/9/13	Data missing	Lost at sea
T200	4/30/12	Data missing	Lost at sea, fishing
			line
T250	12/18/13	Data missing	Fishing line
TP300	12/18/13	Data missing	No comms, fishing
			line
TP500	4/10/13	Data missing	Lost at sea, fishing
			line

Buoy Site: 5N 170W REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 5762 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM096	
Deployed Location: 05-00.963N 169-59.506W	Deployed Date: 10/12/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment		

Buoy Site: 2N 170W REFRESH				
Mooring Operation: Recovery		Mooring ID#: DM026		
Deployed Location: 01	-58.09N 170-01.89W	Deployed Date: 10/20)/11	
Recovered Location: NA		Recovered Date: NA	Recovered Date: NA	
Previous Repair Date:	5/15/12	·		
Sensors/Equipment Lo	ost at Sea: All equipmen	t lost at sea		
Sensors Damaged/Fou	led: NA			
Fishing/Vandalism: Bu	Fishing/Vandalism: Buoy went adrift and went aground on an island, lost at sea			
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: NA				
General Comments: All equipment lost at sea				
Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service	
			Observations	
All (Tube)	10/5/13	Adrift outside data grid	Lost at sea	
Wind	5/25/12	WDIR erratic	Lost at sea	
SST, SSC	8/5/13	Data missing	Lost at sea	
T25 – T100	9/30/13	Data missing	Lost at sea	
T125	4/17/13	Data missing	Lost at sea	
T150 – TP500	9/30/13	Data missing	Lost at sea	

Buoy Site: 2N 170W REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 5392 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM097	
Deployed Location: 02-02.08N 169-59.04W	Deployed Date: 10/13/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: Spare tube used as primary tube failed on		
deck.		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Fishing vessel <i>Jeannine</i> was in the area during deployment.		

Buoy Site: 0 170W ATLAS/Flux/CO2	
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: QM012
Deployed Location: 00-01.376S 170-01.936W	Deployed Date: 5/16/12
Recovered Location: 00-01.376S 170-01.936W	Recovered Date: 10/15/14

Previous Repair Date: None

Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: Payload, ATRH, Wind, Rain gauge, SWR, LWR, barometer,

12m Sontek, TC75 and TP500 lost at sea.

Sensors Damaged/Fouled: SSC, TC5, TC10 fouled

Fishing/Vandalism: Tower missing

Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: TC125, T150, TV153, T200 and T250 were downloaded. The

other were either lost at sea or had no communications.

General Comments: Tower missing

Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service
			Observations
All (Tube)	5/20/12	No transmissions	Tower missing
12m Sontek	5/20/12	Data missing	Lost at sea
TC75	5/20/12	Data missing	Lost at sea
TP500	5/20/12	Data missing	Lost at sea

Buoy Site: 0 170W REFRESH/Flux	
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: DM039
Deployed Location: 00-03.34S 170-04.11W	Deployed Date: 5/15/12
Recovered Location: 00-03.34S 170-04.11W	Recovered Date: 10/14/14

Previous Repair Date: None

Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: Rain guage

Sensors Damaged/Fouled: All subsurface sensors were fouled down to 103 m. SWR and

LWR damaged

Fishing/Vandalism: Radiation sensors damaged. Rain gauge gone.

Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None.

General Comments: Topsection broken at base.

Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service Observations
Wind	7/19/14	WDIR/Compass	None
		missing	
Rain	11/8/13	Data missing	Lost at sea
RH	12/31/12	Data too high	None
ATMP	9/20/13	Data erratic	None
SSC, SST	7/19/14	Data missing	No comms, fouled
C5	9/2/12	Data too low	Fouled, slid to 10m,
			No comms
T5	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	Fouled, slid to 10m,
			No comms
T10	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	No comms

C10	4/9/14	Data erratic	No comms
V10	6/7/12	Data missing	Cable cut
T25	3/15/14	Excessive spiking	No comms, fouled
T50	12/27/13	Data missing	No comms, fouled
C50	12/30/12	Data too low	No comms, fouled
V50	5/15/12	Data missing	Bad cables
T75	12/16/13	Data missing	No comms, fouled
C75	12/16/13	Data missing	No comms, fouled
T100	4/10/13	Data missing	No comms, fouled
C100	4/10/13	Data missing	No comms, fouled
V100	5/15/12	Data missing	Bad cables
V150	7/20/12	Data missing	Cable cut
T125	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	No comms, slid 10m
C125	3/19/14	Data missing	No comms, slid 10m
T150	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	None
T200	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	None
T250	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	None
TP300	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	None
TP500	5/2/14	Excessive spiking	No comms

Buoy Site: 0 170W REFRESH/CO2/Flux	Mooring Depth: 5600 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM098	
Deployed Location: 00-01.358S 170-01.436W	Deployed Date: 10/15/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment		

Buoy Site: 0 170W ADCP		
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: KA017	
Deployed Location: 00.00.36S 169-44.195W	Deployed Date: 5/16/12	
Recovered Location 00.00.36S 169-44.195W	Recovered Date: 10/13/14	
Previous Repair Date: NA		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged/Fouled: None		
Fishing/Vandalism: None		
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None.		
General Comments: None	_	

Buoy Site: 0 170W ADCP	Mooring Depth: 5438 m
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: KA018
Deployed Location: 00-00.1928N 169-43.844W	Deployed Date: 10/14/14
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None	
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None	
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None	
General Comments: Routine deployment	

Buoy Site: 2S 170W REFRESH	
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: DM040
Deployed Location: 02-09.3S 170-00.96W	Deployed Date: 5/18/12
Recovered Location: 02-09.3S 170-00.96W	Recovered Date: 10/15/14
Previous Repair Date: None	
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None	
Sensors Damaged/Fouled: tube enclosure was damaged, SSC, T25, T50 fouled, T200, T250,	

TP300 and TP500 fouled with fishing line.

Fishing/Vandalism: longline on Nilspin and 3 spools of nylon

Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None.

General Comments: None

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Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service
			Observations
All (Tube)	6/4/14	No transmissions	None
ATMP	3/14/14	Data erratic	None
RH	5/25/12	Data too high	None
SST, SSC	2/3/14	Data missing	Fouled, No comms
T25	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	Slid to 50m, fouled
T50	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	Fouled
T75	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	None
T100	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	None
T125	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	No comms
T150	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	None
T200	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	Fishing gear
T250	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	Fishing gear
TP300	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	Fishing gear
TP500	6/24/13	Excessive spiking	Fishing gear

Buoy Site: 2S 170W REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 4955 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM099	
Deployed Location: 02-10.035S 170-00.80W Deployed Date: 10/16/14		
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		

Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None
General Comments: Routine deployment.

Buoy Site: 5S 170W ATLAS	
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: PM989
Deployed Location: 04-59.51S 170-0.45W	Deployed Date: 10/17/11
Recovered Location: 04-59.51S 170-0.45W	Recovered Date: 10/16/14
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Previous Repair Date: None

Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: Wind, T25, T100, T125, T150, TP300 and TP500 lost at sea.

Sensors Damaged/Fouled: T50 fouled

Fishing/Vandalism: None

Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: T200 and T250 were downloaded. All other sensors were either lost at sea or had no communications.

General Comments: Release would not communicate. After reaching the 500 m sensor, the mooring line was cut.

Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service Observations
All (Tube)	4/14/13	No transmissions	None
SST	10/22/12	Data missing	No comms
SSC	10/20/12	Data missing	No comms
T25	4/13/13	Data missing	Lost at sea
T50	4/13/13	Data missing	No comms
T75	4/13/13	Data missing	No comms
T100	4/13/13	Data missing	Lost at sea
T125	6/14/12	Data missing	Lost at sea
T150	6/14/12	Data missing	Lost at sea
T200	4/13/13	Data missing	None
T250	4/13/13	Data missing	None
TP300	4/13/13	Data missing	Lost at sea, fishing
			line
TP500	10/20/12	Data missing	Lost at sea

Buoy Site: 5S 170W REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 5421 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM100	
Deployed Location: 04-59.95S 170-00.814W	Deployed Date: 10/17/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: Payload failed on deck, swapped in spare		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 8S 170W REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 5362 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM101	
Deployed Location: 07-59.42S 170-01.3W	Deployed Date: 10/17/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 5S 165E ATLAS			
Mooring Operation: R	ecovery	Mooring ID#: QM02	0
Deployed Location: 05	-00.025S 165-10.023E	Deployed Date: 8/17/	′13
Recovered Location: 0	5-00.3S 165-10.12E	Recovered Date: 10/2	26/14
Previous Repair Date: None			
Sensors/Equipment Lo	ost at Sea: T75 and T200	lost	
Sensors Damaged/Fou	led: SSC, T25 and T50 f	ouled.	
Fishing/Vandalism: Longline gear on Nilspin and first spool of nylon.			
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: All recovered sensors were downloaded successfully, except T50			
and T150.			
General Comments:			
Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service
			Observations
T50	8/7/13	Data missing	No comms
T75	2/14/14	Data missing	Lost at sea
T150	9/2/14	Data missing	No comms
T200	6/4/14	Data missing	Lost at sea

Buoy Site: 5S 165E REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 2488 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM102	
Deployed Location: 05-00.759S 165-10.02E	Deployed Date: 10/26/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 2S 165E	Mooring Depth: 4465 m	
Mooring Operation: Repair	Mooring ID#: DM055	
Deployed Location: 01-59.949S 165-00.198E	Deployed Date: 8/16/13	
Repair Location: 02-00.106S 165-00.463E		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: Anemometer, upper stanchion broken off at sheer point		

Sensors Damaged/Fouled: Wind bird missing, replaced with new one			
Fishing Vandalism: Small hand line with weights hanging of top ring.			
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None			
General Comments: None			
Site Sensor Failures	Site Sensor Failures Date Data Flagged Why Data Flagged Field Service		
Observations			
Wind	11/4/13	WDIR erratic	Lost at sea

Buoy Site: 0 165E REFRESH/CO2	Mooring Depth: 4410 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM103	
Deployed Location: 00-01.388N 165-01.550E	Deployed Date: 10/27/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 0 165E ADCP		
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: WA013	
Deployed Location: 00-00.96916 165-13.603E	Deployed Date: 8/15/13	
Recovered Location: 00-00.9N 165-13.6E	Recovered Date: 10/28/14	
Previous Repair Date: NA		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged/Fouled: None		
Fishing/Vandalism: None		
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None.		
General Comments: None		

Buoy Site: 0 165E ADCP	Mooring Depth: 4396 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: WA014	
Deployed Location: 00-00.95N 165-13.23E	Deployed Date: 10/28/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment		

Buoy Site: 2N 165E REFRESH	
Mooring Operation: Recovery	Mooring ID#: DM054
Deployed Location: 02-00.14N 165-08.6E	Deployed Date: 8/14/13

Recovered Location: 02-00.14N 165-08.6E **Recovered Date:** 10/28/14 **Previous Repair Date:** None Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None Sensors Damaged/Fouled: ATRH damaged, SSC and T25 fouled. Fishing/Vandalism: None Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None. **General Comments:** None **Date Data Flagged** Why Data Flagged **Site Sensor Failures** Field Service **Observations** 7/22/14 Data too high RH Damaged, Instrument base loose SST, SSC 8/19/13 Data missing Fouled

Buoy Site: 2N 165E REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 4159 m	
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM104	
Deployed Location: 02-00.75N 165-07.816E	Deployed Date: 10/29/14	
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 5N 165E RF	EFRESH		
Mooring Operation: R	Mooring Operation: Recovery Mooring ID#: DM053		3
Deployed Location: 05	6-06.075N 164-54.110 E	Deployed Date: 8/13/	13
Recovered Location: 0	05-06.075N 164-54.110 E	Recovered Date: 10/29/14	
Previous Repair Date:	Previous Repair Date: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lo	ost at Sea: T125 lost at se	ea	
Sensors Damaged/Fou	led: None		
Fishing/Vandalism: Sr	nall amount of leader line	e wrapped around bridle a	and SSC
Sensors/Tubes Downlo	oaded: None.		
General Comments: None			
Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service
			Observations
RH	1/24/14	Data too high	None
T125	8/29/14	Data missing	Lost at sea

Buoy Site: 5N 165E REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 4762 m
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM105
Deployed Location: 05-03.265N 164-51.841E	Deployed Date: 10/30/14

Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None		
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None		
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None		
General Comments: Routine deployment.		

Buoy Site: 8N 165E REFRESH				
Mooring Operation: R	ration: Recovery Mooring ID#: DM052			
Deployed Location: 08	-03.23N 165-08.6 E	Deployed Date: 8/11/13		
Recovered Location: 0	8-03.23N 165-08.6 E	Recovered Date: 10/30/14		
Previous Repair Date:	None			
Sensors/Equipment Lo	Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None			
Sensors Damaged/Fouled: SSC, T100				
Fishing/Vandalism: Small amount of longline gear on mooring				
Sensors/Tubes Downloaded: None.				
General Comments: None				
Site Sensor Failures	Date Data Flagged	Why Data Flagged	Field Service	
			Observations	
RH	1/17/14	Data too high	None	

Buoy Site: 8N 165E REFRESH	Mooring Depth: 5213 m			
Mooring Operation: Deployment	Mooring ID#: DM106			
Deployed Location: 08-03.183N 165-08.536E	Deployed Date: 10/30/14			
Pre-Deployment On Deck Instrument Failures: None				
Sensors/Equipment Lost at Sea: None				
Sensors Damaged During Deployment: None				
General Comments: Routine deployment.				

2.2 <u>CTD Casts Completed</u>

A Sea-Bird 911plus CTD with dual temperature and conductivity sensors was provided by the NMAO. Temperature and conductivity sensors are calibrated yearly at Sea-Bird and sent in for diagnostics as necessary.

The following outlines the CTD casts completed during the cruise:

CTD Operations				
Coordinates	Date	Cast #	Comments	
08 00.24N 124 58.60W	9/2/14	RB14040011		
06 59.99N 124 58.53W	9/3/14	RB14040021		

9/3/14	RB14040031
9/4/14	RB14040041
9/4/14	RB14040051
9/4/14	RB14040061
9/5/14	RB14040071
9/5/14	RB14040081
9/6/14	RB14040091
9/7/14	RB14040101
9/7/14	RB14040111
9/8/14	RB14040121
9/8/14	RB14040131
9/8/14	RB14040141
9/9/14	RB14040151
9/9/14	RB14040161
9/9/14	RB14040171
9/13/14	RB14040181
9/14/14	RB14040191
9/14/14	RB14040201
9/14/14	RB14040211
9/15/14	RB14040221
9/15/14	RB14040231
9/16/14	RB14040241
9/16/14	RB14040251
9/16/14	RB14040261
9/17/14	RB14040271
9/17/14	RB14040281
9/21/14	RB14040291
	9/4/14 9/4/14 9/4/14 9/5/14 9/5/14 9/6/14 9/6/14 9/7/14 9/8/14 9/8/14 9/8/14 9/9/14 9/9/14 9/9/14 9/13/14 9/14/14 9/14/14 9/15/14 9/15/14 9/16/14 9/16/14 9/17/14

2.3 Ancillary Science Projects Completed on the Cruise

The following outlines the ancillary science work performed in conjunction with the TAO operations on the cruise:

Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory (PMEL) Argo Profiling CTD Floats

Ten (10) Argo floats were scheduled for deployment on this cruise. The chief scientist verified and briefed the Operations Officer on the deployment positions prior to the start of the cruise. All Argo Float deployments were completed as scheduled.

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The following outlines the Argo floats deployed during the cruise:

ARGO Floats			
Coordinates	Date	SN#	Comments
06 21.10N 125 02.73W	9/2/14	F0213	
05 04.20N 124 54.90W	9/3/14	F0199	
00 10.66S 124 22.68W	9/6/14	F0238	
02 04.15S 124 54.78W	9/7/14	F0237	
05 02.17S 124 55.07W	9/8/14	F0239	
05 00.31S 139 55.02W	9/13/14	F0235	
02 03.69S 140 02.64W	9/14/14	F0254	
00 02.20N 139 59.48W	9/16/14	F0255	
01 59.38N 140 01.35W	9/16/14	F0258	
04 59.87N 139 57.81W	9/17/14	F0256	

Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory (AMOL) Surface Drifting Floats

Twenty (20) AOML Surface Drifters were scheduled for deployment on this cruise. The chief scientist verified and briefed the Operations Officer on the deployment positions prior to the start of the cruise. All AOML Surface Drifter deployments were completed as scheduled.

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The following outlines the AOML Drifting floats deployed during this cruise:

AOML Floats			
Coordinates	Date	SN#	Comments
06 21.10N 125 02.73W	9/2/14	127384	
06 21.10N 125 02.73W	9/2/14	127385	
03 59.34N 124 58.197W	9/4/14	127388	
00 10.66S 124 22.68W	9/6/14	127383	
00 10.66S 124 22.68W	9/6/14	127386	
02 03.79S 124 54.78W	9/7/14	127332	
02 03.79S 124 54.78W	9/7/14	127382	
04 00.99S 124 54.20W	9/8/14	127328	
04 00.99S 124 54.20W	9/8/14	127330	

03 59.50S 140 56.87W	9/14/14	127329	
03 59.50S 140 56.87W	9/14/14	116234	
02 03.69S 140 02.64W	9/14/14	116235	
02 03.69S 140 02.64W	9/14/14	116233	
00 02.20N 139 59.48W	9/16/14	116232	
00 02.20N 139 59.48W	9/16/14	116236	
01 59.38N 140 01.35W	9/16/14	116231	
01 59.38N 140 01.35W	9/16/14	127391	
04 01.29N 139 13.97W	9/17/14	127389	
01 01.98S 140 26.88W	9/17/14	116230	
01 01.93S 140 58.30W	9/17/14	127390	